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### Sir:

In reply to the Final Office Action dated June 5, 2003, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

### REMARKS

A certified English translation of the priority document, namely Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-204728 was timely filed in this application on May 16, 2003 as shown on the

attached postcard receipt.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has the necessary certified translation. A copy of the certified copy is submitted herewith via Facsimile as suggested in paragraph 3, page 4 of the last Office Action.

It is respectfully submitted that this submission overcomes any rejection under 35 U.S.C.102. It is further respectfully submitted that all pending claims are allowable and that the application is in condition for allowance.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the case to issue.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact David R. Murphy (Reg. No. 22,751) at the telephone number of the undersigned below.



If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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